

1 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS**

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3 **RESOLUTION NO. R-25-02**

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5 **Introduced by Mayor Moyer**

6 **Alderman Hoyle**

7 **Alderman Cordle**

8 **Alderman Carter**

9 **Alderman Cohen**

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12 **A RESOLUTION concerning**

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14 **Leave No Child Behind**

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16 **FOR** the purpose of declaring Annapolis a “Leave No Child Behind City” and endorsing

17 the Movement and the Act to “Leave No Child Behind” (S.940/H.R.1990); and all

18 matters relating to said declaration and endorsement.

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21 **WHEREAS,** nearly 12 million children in America live in poverty; and

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23 **WHEREAS,** nearly 9.2 million children in America are without health insurance; and

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25 **WHEREAS,** only three out of five eligible preschool children are able to participate in

26 Head Start Programs; and

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28 **WHEREAS,** only one in seven eligible children receives child care assistance through

29 the Child Care and Development Block Grant, even though the average

30 cost of center-based child care in urban areas exceeds the cost of public

31 college tuition in 48 states; and

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33 **WHEREAS,** approximately one third of parents who stop receiving Temporary

34 Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) find little or no work; and

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36 **WHEREAS,** request for food assistance from families with children increased an

37 average of 19 percent over the last year, the highest rate of increase since

38 1991; and

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40 **WHEREAS,** 3.6 million children in America are suffering “worst case” housing needs

41 with their families paying over half of their income for rent or living in

42 overcrowded or substandard housing; and

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1 **WHEREAS,** 7 million children in America are regularly left home alone without adult
2 supervision after school; and
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4 **WHEREAS,** an estimated 7,900 children a day are reported to public welfare agencies
5 as abused or neglected and over 2.5 million children are being raised by
6 grandparents or other relatives, or are in foster family homes, group
7 homes, or institutions; and
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9 **WHEREAS,** 9 children and teens in America are killed by people using firearms every
10 day; and
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12 **WHEREAS,** federal legislation - the Act to "Leave No Child Behind" (S.940/H.R.1990) -
13 will help to address these and many needs of children in our country; and
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15 **WHEREAS,** the City of Annapolis has a strong commitment to improving the lives of
16 children and ensuring that all of our children have the opportunity to grow
17 up healthy, safe, educated, and free from poverty.
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19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the
20 City of Annapolis will hereafter be designated as a "Leave No Child Behind City";
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22 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that a copy
23 of this resolution shall be forwarded to our representatives in the United States Senate and
24 the United States House of Representatives.
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26 **ADOPTED** this 14th day of October, 2002.
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29 **ATTEST:**

THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL

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33 Deborah Heinbuch, CMC/AAE
34 City Clerk
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BY: _____
ELLEN O. MOYER, MAYOR